



BRANCH 148 - Renfrew, ON

## ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR. 148

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### AUGUST SEPTEMBER 2025 BRANCH BULLETIN



#### Legion Mission Statement

*Our mission is to serve Veterans, including serving Military and RCMP members and their families, to promote Remembrance, and to serve our communities and our country.*

#### MEETINGS:

Branch 148 Executive Meeting	2nd Monday of each Month	7:00 p.m.
Ladies Auxiliary Br 148 Meeting	3rd Tuesday of each Month	7:00 p.m.
Branch General Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each Month	7:00 p.m.
The Branch does not have General Meetings during the months of July, August, and December.		

#### UPCOMING DATES

Wednesday afternoons, Aug. 6 to 27 – Ladies Auxiliary Euchre, 1-3pm - \$5/player

Saturday, August 9 – Branch BBQ, 12-6pm. Hamburgers \$6, Jumbo hot dogs \$5

Sat., August 30 – Dave Palfreyman Memorial Golf Tournament, Dragonfly Golf Links, \$100/person.

Saturday, September 20 – Branch Legion Week BBQ – further info to follow

Saturday, September 27 – Mixed Doubles Dart Tournament, with proceeds towards Remembrance Day Expenses

Mondays	Legion Seniors Darts are taking a summer break and will return in September!
Thursdays (new date)	Foot Care Clinic, twice a month
Thursday Afternoons	The Thursday afternoon pool with Community Living is also taking a summer break and will return in the fall.
Friday afternoons	Please join us for our weekly meat draws, starting around 3pm in the Lounge. Tickets are \$2/draw, and there are 5 draws: Breakfast Box, Beef Box, Metro Card, Pork & Chicken Box, and an LCBO Card.
Saturdays	Weekly entertainment - please check our Facebook page or our website, listen to Valley Heritage Radio Coming Events, or call the Branch for more information

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:** Hello Comrades, I hope everyone is having a good summer. I am hoping you will come out and check out our patio. Anybody with some ideas for raising some needed funds for the branch please contact myself or the office. I will be looking for some help on some upcoming BBQs – if interested contact me at 613-432-4246 or leave your name at the office.

The Dave Palfreyman memorial golf tournament is on August 30 – registration sheet is on the bulletin board. For further information contact myself at the above number. Enjoy the rest of the summer and stay safe. Thank you.

**Comrade Greg Walbeck, President**

**FROM THE OFFICE:** Due to a quiet summer, the Branch is still financially struggling to keep up with our expenses and other obligations. We have applied for a grant to hopefully obtain funds for the much-needed repairs to the men's washroom. We are still selling pepperoni sticks from Halenda's as a branch fundraiser, and we are looking into other fundraisers within the Branch, to bring in funds. We are continuing with our Furnace Fund, and If you wish to donate towards this, we are accepting donations, or if you have any ideas for a fundraiser, please contact the office (613-432-6450). If you have changed your email address, or wish to be added to our email list, please contact the office ([rclrenfrew@cogeco.net](mailto:rclrenfrew@cogeco.net)).

**LAST POST:** If you hear of a member passing away, please contact the office and let the Secretary know so that we can be sure to include them in the next bulletin.

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.  
 Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
 At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
 We will Remember Them."

If anyone knows of any local senior veterans who are not Legion members, please let the office know.

**GREETINGS TO OUR HOUSEBOUND MEMBERS:** A warm hello to all our members who are unable to visit the Branch:

<u>Bonnechere Manor:</u>	Louise Snow, Gerald Coules
<u>Forest Hill Nursing Home, Kanata:</u>	Ben Kane
<u>Groves Park Lodge:</u>	Ray Dick

If you know of someone who should be included, please contact the office and let the Secretary know so that we can be sure to include them in the next bulletin.

**PROPERTY:** The men's washroom has a water leak, and we are getting quotes. The urinals are not in service until further notice.

**Richard Fitzsimmons, Property Co-Chair**

**SPORTS:** The Branch's Dave Palfreyman Memorial Golf Tournament is on August 30, and the Branch is also hosting a Mixed Doubles Dart tournament on September 27, with proceeds going towards Remembrance Day expenses. Fee is \$30/team.

**Greg Walbeck, Sports Chair**

**ENTERTAINMENT:** Please stop into the Lounge and enjoy some great local entertainment. Entertainment is announced on Valley Heritage Radio and also listed on our website.

Upcoming Entertainment:

August 2 – no band	September 6 – to be announced
August 9 – Unwound	September 13 – to be announced
August 16 – no band	September 20 – to be announced
August 23 – Lonesome Dreamers	September 27 – to be announced
August 30 – to be announced	

**Brady Enright, Entertainment Chair**

**1<sup>ST</sup> RENFREW SCOUTS:** I am hoping everyone is enjoying their summer. Adventures will continue September 8th when our first Scouting meeting for the Scouting year 2025-2026. Our meetings are held at the Renfrew Legion from 6:30 til 7:30, every Monday except holidays. We are looking for youth that are interested in the outdoors. Any adults interested in joining as well please contact me. Let the adventures begin.

*Yours in Scouting, Susan Fleming*

**LADIES' AUXILIARY:** As with the Branch, there is not much going on . If you are looking for your event to be catered at the Legion please contact me. If you are interested in joining us, please let me know. We have our sports starting up again soon. Come out to see if your darts will get you on a team of fun and comradeship. Watch out for fun activities we will be hosting at the Branch. Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer.

*Susan Fleming, LA President*

**MEMBERSHIP:** With Dominion Command increasing the per capita rate (effective January 1, 2025) to \$39.51 per member, we have had to increase the membership dues. Membership dues for 2026 will be \$60.00 with this increase taking effect on September 1, 2025.

*Chris Thompson, Membership Chair*

**YOUTH EDUCATION:** The Renfrew Legion Citizenship Award for a grade 6 student of Our Lady of Fatima School was presented to Molly Seaman by Comrade Debbie McDermid at their graduation on June 23rd. The Grade 7 graduation was held on June 24<sup>th</sup>, and Kinley Murphy was presented with the Renfrew Legion Citizenship award. Throughout the school year both of these students exemplified the qualities of this award. Congratulations! A note of thanks to Fiebig Trophy and Engraving for a job well done, the student keeper plaques looked very nice with the Legion crest. Thanks to the Ways & Means Committee for your financial support of these awards.

*Submitted by Ella Box*

**LEGION SENIORS:** We will return on September 8 for another season of darts.

*Ron Kilby, Legion Seniors*

**CONSTITUTION & LAWS:** The Provincial bylaws have been updated to May 2025 and are ready to download or read online; refer to the Ontario website under Forms and Manuals.

*Ella Box, Constitution & Laws*

**BURSARY:** Renfrew Branch granted nine Branch Bursaries of \$1,000.00 each to qualifying students of Renfrew Collegiate Institute and St. Joseph's High School. We have received several thank you cards from students expressing their gratitude. The Provincial Bursary Program will open again in early September.

*Ella Box, Bursary Chair*

**ZONE G7 SUMMER COUNCIL MEETING:** The Zone Council Meeting was held on July 6, and Branch Presidents and Zone Officers presented reports. Comrade Reta is working on an updated Zone directory which will list all the new Zone Chairs. The Zone 50/50 fund raiser was won by Br. 517 Petawawa in the amount of \$ 560.00. Zone Sgt-at-Arms will do training, if any Branch is interested. Service Officer and Poppy Seminar will be held in Smith Falls on October 4 & 5 2025. The Zone is still seeking a Youth Education Chair, a Veterans Service/Seniors Chair, and Poppy & Remembrance Chair.

*Submitted by Ella Box*

**MILITARY RECOGNITION BOOK:** Ontario Command is now collecting submissions for the 13th edition, and need your help. If you have a loved one – past or present – who served in the Canadian Armed Forces, I invite you to share their story. Please use the submission form dated June 2025.

*Submitted by Ella Box*

**RENFREW YOUTH DARTS:** Maddie Buzzell of Renfrew youth darts Received an Invitation to World Darts Federation Masters festival in Budapest Hungary. Oct 25-Nov2 2025. Congratulations Maddie!

**WAYS & MEANS:** I am looking for volunteers to assist with the weekly Friday Meat Draws, and with Saturday 50/50 draws in the Lounge. If you would like to help with selling tickets, please contact me by email at [joan.mcnulty@icloud.com](mailto:joan.mcnulty@icloud.com), or call the office and leave your name and number. The meat draw tickets are \$2 each per draw or 3 tickets for \$5 per draw.

**Joanie McNulty, Ways & Means**

**NEVADA:** Things are very slow on tickets sales maybe we can sell some on dart tournaments and cornhole games. If you would like to volunteer at various dart tournaments or cornhole to sell Nevada tickets, please let the Office know.

**Ron Kilby, Nevada Chair**



**HONOURS & AWARDS:** At the June 25 General Meeting, Honours & Awards Chair Comrade Chris Thompson represented awards to various Comrades:



Comrade Joanie McNulty receiving her Ways & Means Bar



Comrade Kelly Berger receiving her Finance Bar



Comrade Tena Miller receiving her Seniors Bar



Comrade John Watts receiving the Branch Service Medal



Comrade Debbie McDermid receiving the Branch Service Medal

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS: Did you Know?**

With our on-going shortfall in our budget, we are coming up with new and different ideas for fundraising within the Branch. If you have any ideas for fundraisers – or are willing to help out for even a few hours – please contact the Branch Office at 613-432-6450 to let us know you can assist. If you know of any high-school students looking for volunteer hours, please let us know by contacting the office. Keep our monthly calendars handy for information, and feel free to review our Facebook page (Royal Canadian Legion Br. 148 Renfrew) or our website ([www.renfrewlegionbr148.ca](http://www.renfrewlegionbr148.ca)) for current information. If you have an email address, please provide it to the Office so that you may be added to our email lists.

**Debbie McDermid, PRO**

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Buy today and help us reach our fundraising goal!

The Branch is now selling Pepperoni sticks!

We have partnered with Halenda's Meats, selling pepperoni sticks at the Branch – each stick is \$2 each, or a bag of 10 (6 mild, 4 spicy) for \$20, and are actually quite good – please help support your Branch! The pepperoni sticks are available at both the Lounge Bar and Auditorium Bar, and during Office hours.

The Ladies Auxiliary are holding weekly Euchre, every Wednesday afternoon, from July 2 to August 27. Cost is \$5 per player.



Ladies' Auxiliary Euchre  
Wednesday afternoons.  
July 2 - Aug. 27  
1:00 - 3:00pm \$5/person

Royal Canadian Legion Br 148 Renfrew  
30 Raglan St. S.

**Euchre**



**SUMMER BARBECUE**  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2025  
12:00 - 6:00PM  
(or while quantities last)

HAMBURGERS \$6.00 each  
JUMBO HOT DOGS  
\$5.00 each



The Branch is hosting a mixed doubles dart tournament on Saturday, September 27, with proceeds towards our Remembrance Day expenses. Must be 19 years of age to play. For further info/registration, please contact Comrade Laura Warren at 613-717-3959 or Comrade Greg Walbeck at 613-432-4246.



**MIXED DOUBLES DART TOURNAMENT**  
Proceeds go towards Remembrance Day Expenses

Date: Saturday, September 27, 2025

Registration Fee: \$30.00 per team

Registration Time: 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Play Time: 11:00 a.m.

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Division Round Robin Play  
Prize Money for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th places  
180 Shoot Off

Prize Money is based on number of teams entered

\*\* MUST BE 19 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER TO PLAY \*\*

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Canteen & Cash Bar

For further information or to pre-register please contact:  
Laura Warren 613-717-3959 or Greg Walbeck 613-432-4246

August 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1 NORAD FORMED (1951)</b> Meat Draw, 3pm	<b>2</b> Legion Garage Sale, 9-12 Entertainment: No Band this weekend
<b>3</b>	<b>4 CIVIC HOLIDAY</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> LA Cards, 1pm	<b>7</b> Foot Clinic	<b>8 AUG 8 TO 10 – NATIONAL YOUTH TRACK &amp; FIELD</b> Meat Draw, 3pm	<b>9 CANADA PEACEKEEPING DAY</b> Branch BBQ, 12-6pm Hall Reserved: Anniversary Entertainment: Unwound, 4-8pm
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Executive, 7pm	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Hall Reserved LA Cards, 1pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15 VICTORY OVER JAPAN (1945 – 80<sup>TH</sup>)</b> Meat Draw, 3pm Hall Reserved	<b>16</b> Hall Reserved: Wedding Entertainment: No Band this weekend
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19 DIEPPE RAID (1942)</b>	<b>20</b> LA Cards, 1pm	<b>21</b> Foot Clinic	<b>22</b> Meat Draw, 3pm	<b>23</b> Entertainment: Lonesome Dreamers 4-8pm
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Final LA Cards, 1pm	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Meat Draw, 3pm	<b>30</b> Dave Palfreyman Memorial Golf Tournament Entertainment: To be announced, 4-8pm
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September 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>EARLYBIRD MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS – MEMBERSHIP FEES NOW \$60.00</b>	<b>1 LABOUR DAY OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>2 WORLD WAR II ENDS (1945 – 80<sup>TH</sup>)</b>	<b>3 MERCHANT NAVY VETERANS DAY</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Entertainment: To be announced, 4-8pm
<b>7 FIREFIGHTERS NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY</b>  Hall Reserved	<b>8 BATTLE OF MEDAK POCKET (1993)</b>  Executive, 7pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10 WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY</b>	<b>11 SEPT. 11 ATTACK (2001)</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>  Entertainment: To be announced, 4-8pm
<b>14 LEGION WEEK STARTS BATTLE OF BRITAIN (1940 – 85<sup>TH</sup>)</b>  LA Zone Darts  Youth Darts	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  Blood Donor Clinic  LA, 7pm	<b>17 OPERATION MEDUSA (2006)</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19 MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION DAY</b>	<b>20</b>  Legion Week Barbecue at Branch  Entertainment: To be announced, 4-8pm
<b>21 CANADA ARMY RUN INT'L DAY OF PEACE</b>  Hall Reserved  Youth Darts	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  General, 7pm	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>  Hall Reserved	<b>27</b>  Mixed Doubles Dart Tournament for Remembrance Day Expenses  Entertainment: To be announced, 4-8pm
<b>28 POLICE AND PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL</b>  Youth Darts	<b>29</b>	<b>30 NAT'L. DAY FOR TRUTH &amp; RECONCILIATION</b>				